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see 37 CFR 1.5) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED PCT/DE2003/002998 10 September 2003 27 September 2002 TITLE OF INVENTION METHOD AND A DEVICE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE WEB TENSION IN A MULTI WEB SYSTEM APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US GRETSCH, Harald, Karl; GROSS, REinhard, Georg Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information: This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is a SECOND or SUBSEQUENT submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371. This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below. The US has been elected (Article 31). A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)) is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). has been communicated by the International Bureau. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US). An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)). is attached hereto. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). X_ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)) are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau). have been communicated by the International Bureau. have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired. have not been made and will not be made. An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)). An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)). 10. An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)). Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included: 11. X An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98. 12. X An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included. A preliminary amendment. An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76. A substitute specification. 16. X A power of attorney and/or change of address letter. A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821- 1.825. A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4). See Attachment Other items or information:

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- A) Seven (7) sheets of Formal Patent Drawings
- B) WO 2004/031059 A2 and A3 (two versions) published April 15, 2004
- C) Request for Payment of Additional Fees, mailed February 13, 2004, with translation
- D) Response by KBA dated February 19, 2004, with translation
- E) International Search Report, mailed March 18, 2004, with translation
- F) Response by KBA mailed April 16, 2004, with translation
- G) Chapter II Demand mailed April 16, 2004
- H) Request for Thorough Examination, mailed April 16, 2004, with translation
- I) Translation of Article 19 claims received in International Office on April 16, 2004
- J) Request for Limiting Claims mailed July 23, 2004, with translation
- K) Response by KBA dated July 26, 2004, with translation
- L) Written Notification dated September 6, 2004, with translation
- M) Response by KBA dated October 20, 2004, with translation
- N) Notice regarding Informal Discussion, dated January 17, 2005, with translation
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